



## Graduate Studies, Recruitment, Admissions & Financial Aid Committee

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Meeting 6 Draft Minutes | February 27, 2020 | 1 – 2pm | 2102

- **Members Present:** Marjorie Treff, Leslie Chrapliwy, Victor Borden, Rebecca Martinez, Andrea Walton, Karen Wohlwend, Dajanae Palmer
- **Ex-officio Absent:** Sarah Lubienski
- **Guests Present:** Matt Boots, Bradley Levinson
- **Staff:** Kirstin Helström

### I. Voting Items

#### A. Review/Approval of Minutes from January 28, 2020

- Dajanae Palmer moved to approve the minutes as written.
- Victor Borden seconded.
- All in favor.

#### B. Program Changes

##### i. Social Foundations of Education doctoral minor program and name change: Bradley Levinson

This minor was created about 15 years ago, with a stronger focus on the social sciences. There is a growing student interest in foundations of education more broadly – not just focusing on education in the social sciences. For this reason this change would update the name to remove “Social” and leave it the more broad “Foundations” naming. Other School of Education minors do not have strong stipulations (e.g., “in consultation with your adviser), and so this proposal similarly attempts to create more flexibility. Vic Borden asked if the courses that faculty would recommend would need to be School of Education courses. Bradley responded that this is implied and the most likely recommendation, but perhaps other courses outside the School of Education would be suitable as well. This would be determined on a case by case basis.

- Leslie Chrapliwy moved to approve the program change.
- Rebecca Martinez seconded.
- All in favor.

##### ii. MSED-Mental Health Counseling and Counselor Ed-Mental Health Track: Rebecca Martinez

With the reduction in practicum work required by the Indiana Licensing board, this change maintains the current program’s credit hours, but refocuses those credit hours to function as sub specializations, that might also help make IUB students more



competitive on the job market. Leslie Chrapliwy noted that four of the courses are not listed in the current bulletin, and Matt Boots added that these are new course proposals that went through GSC and should be updated hopefully this summer in the Bulletin.

- Victor Borden moved to approve the program change.
- Leslie Chrapliwy seconded.
- Six in favor, one abstained.

## **II. Discussion Items**

### **A. New Gems Experience**

Gems 2.0 launched on Tuesday, and Matt Boots has met with several faculty and staff to assist with the transition. Currently, ETS and GSO are working together to put new milestones into SIS that feed automatically into Gems, to improve user experience. It is expected that the transition will be complete by Fall 2020. Matt will continue to make himself available for one on one training with any staff or faculty.

## **III. Information Items**

### **A. Update from Policy Council**

Sarah Lubienski recommended that GSC be informed at each meeting about which items passed with Policy Council's review. All the items from the last GSC meeting were approved at the recent Policy Council meeting.

Additionally, it should be noted that Policy Council has charged GSO with developing an OCAP process (the collaborative process for online degrees) for our degree and program proposals. More information will be coming soon.

### **B. Fellowship Committees**

Marjorie Treff and Karen Wohlwend reported that the Dean's fellowship was reviewed and determined within four days, and everything went very smoothly. The Beechler fellowship has also been determined as well. Karen recommended that there be a form recommendation letter for these fellowships created to alleviate some faculty work.

Additionally, she recommended that there could be something perhaps built into Gems to help sort students based on their eligibility for fellowships. Matt added that these have been considered in previous years but are worth looking into again.

Dajanae Palmer added that the notification of fellowships is often just before the deadline, which makes it difficult to apply. Matt added that we would connect with Sarah about that issue as well, to add fellowship information in GSO's "Not a Newsletter" email.